



Narrator: Hello again. Tip Top 贸易公司的顶级上司 Mr Socrates 刚刚宣布了公司的新策略，希望能提高欧洲市场的销售额，保住公司。不过在工作正式开始前，伦敦公司的团队请他到酒吧做客，感受一下英国风情。 Let's join them now...

ARRIVING AT THE PUB

Tom: Welcome to the Rose and Crown. It is small, not like one of those bars you get in your country. Can I get you a pint Mr Socrates?

Mr Socrates: A what?

Tom: A pint. A pint of beer, it's really nice here if you like it...

Mr Socrates: I don't drink. Just an orange juice, freshly squeezed.

Paul: Oh go on Mr Socrates, one pint won't hurt. You've got to have a pint of beer when you come to a pub.

Mr Socrates: Oh very well. I'll try one. It had better be good.

Tom: You'll love it. I'll get it. Three pints of your best beer please Mr Landlord. Denise, are you OK getting your own? I'm a bit short of cash.

Denise: Oh... right. Mr Socrates, Anna said she would be along soon. She had some work to finish. She's such a hard worker.

Mr Socrates: Good to hear. She seems like a smart cookie. Now let's try this beer... mmm, not bad, a little warm but... tasty.

Paul: Oh, you drank that quickly...would you like another one?

Mr Socrates: Sure.

DOOR OPENS

Anna: Hi everyone. Sorry I'm late.

Denise: Hi Anna. Look Mr Socrates is enjoying our English beer. I think it's going to his head.

Mr Socrates: *(Loudly)* Anna! Our best worker. Get Anna a drink.

Tom: Yes Mr Socrates. Of course Mr Socrates.

Mr Socrates: Anna, come over here, let's talk.

Anna: Oh right. What about...

Tom: There you go Anna. I got you some crisps too. So what are we talking about.

Mr Socrates: Nothing. Thank you... bye bye.

Tom: Oh right. Bye bye. Yes, I'll go and talk to Paul and Denise. I'll just be over here.

Mr Socrates: What a loser. I can tell he's all talk and no action...

Anna: Well, Tom's a good worker really and...

Mr Socrates: ...and as for Paul. God, what a manager. Always eating cookies. You know he was fired from his last job because...

Narrator: Anna, 我看他是有点喝醉了, 说了不应该说的话。

Anna: I know. What should I say?

Narrator: 你得告诉他不能这么说 "It's not appropriate to talk like that." 或者他得改变话题 "Could we change the subject please".

Anna: OK thanks. Erm, Mr Socrates I don't think it's appropriate to talk like that, could we change the subject please?

Mr Socrates: Oh, sorry have I said too much? Maybe we should talk about you. I like you Anna. You're keen but you've got a lot to learn and I think you should wear more black – it makes you look... thinner...

Narrator: 这可不像话。他说太多了。你得让他保持职业道德, 就谈公司的事儿。

Anna: Right, good idea. (*To Mr Socrates*) Erm, Mr Socrates, thank you but can we keep our conversation professional. There's lots to discuss about our European market strategy.

Mr Socrates: Yeah, right, absolutely right. Anyway, you're gonna have to lead this one not that Tom guy. I'm thinking of firing him, his results ain't that great and...

Tom: ...sorry to interrupt, just wondered if you'd like some nuts?

Mr Socrates: Hey Tom, I was just saying to Anna your results haven't been good and I'm thinking of...

Anna: (*flustered*)...having another drink... thinking of having another drink. Mr Socrates, did you know Tom actually has a great idea for selling laser-curved oranges to Spain.

Tom: (puzzled) Do I?

Mr Socrates: That's good to hear Tom. Email them to me and I'll check them over tomorrow.

Anna: Of course he will Mr Socrates. Now how would you like to drink something, errr, less strong? Orange juice perhaps?

Mr Socrates: Na, I think I'll try some more of the English beer.

THE TEAM ALL CHEER

Narrator: Anna 这次帮了 Tom 大忙了，要不他马上就被炒鱿鱼了。有时候和上司会谈时会突然说到私人话题，所以需要恰当的把话题再转回到工作上。我看Anna已经学会怎样保持话题的职业性。以下是她用到的一些句子：

*It's not appropriate to talk like that.
Could we change the subject, please?
Can we keep our conversation professional, please?*

Narrator: 看来 Anna 是 Mr Socrates 眼里的红人，不过她得向 Tom 做些解释呢。

Tom: Anna, what were you talking about to Mr Socrates? Ideas for selling laser-curved oranges to Spain?

Anna; He was going to fire you – so I was trying to tell him you had great ideas.

Tom: What?! You helped me? Anna, I don't know what to say. I... I... I...

Anna: Yes?

Tom: I need to go back to the office and work on some ideas.

Narrator: 好主意！我们下次节目再会。 Bye!

Listening challenge 听力挑战

What is the name of the pub the team takes Mr Socrates to?
伦敦团队请Mr Socrates 去了哪家酒吧？

Answer: The Rose and Crown

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